



# RESPIRE CARE SERVICES At a Glance

## COVID-19 DDA Services

*Temporary changes, effective March 13, 2020, and Revised March 14, 2022*

Respite is short-term care intended to provide both the family or the primary caregiver and the person with a break from their daily routines. Respite relieves families or the primary caregivers from their daily caregiving responsibilities

### Service Delivery Flexibilities

- May be provided in a variety of settings such as the person's home, family homes, and other community settings (Ends on June 30, 2022, unless otherwise authorized in the federally approved waiver and PCP)
- Respite Care Services can be used to replace Meaningful Day services while the participant's parent is not available (Ends on June 30, 2022)

### Service Authorization Flexibilities

- An additional up to 360 hours specifically related to the COVID - 19 emergency can be provided without prior authorization by the DDA (Ends on June 30, 2022)

Note: Respite Services are not available to people who are authorized to receive Community Living-Group Home, Supported Living, or Shared Living services

**Visit our website for additional COVID-19 resources:**

**[https://dda.health.maryland.gov/Pages/DDA\\_Appendix\\_K.aspx](https://dda.health.maryland.gov/Pages/DDA_Appendix_K.aspx)**

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